Monday, November 12, 2018

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for the regular meeting. Members present were Ted Krienke, Robert Hoffmann, Dave Lienemann, Ron Woslager and Dan Unseld. Absent was Kevin Flesner. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Elementary Principal Adam Patrick, Activities Director Darren Sindelar and several guests.

A welcome was extended to the public, the open meetings act was pointed out. Roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lienemann moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion to excuse Flesner. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

During the communication from the public Renata Koehler spoke about bullying at the elementary.

Hoffmann moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the previous meeting, claims, payment of bills and financial reports. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

Alex Mckeown reported for the Student Council about Red Ribbon Week, Parking Stall Raffle and the Christmas Committee.

Mason Sindelar and Lucas Gnat reported for FCCLA.

Mr. Brahmer's High School report included the names of students for this month's Salute a Student Program, Veterans Day Program was Nov. 12, Red Ribbon Week, Pierce High Marching Band earned a superior rating at state competition, and listed dates for One-Act competitions.

The Elementary Report from Mr. Patrick said the elementary food drive during Red Ribbon Week collected over 1700 items for the food pantry. A special breakfast was held for Honor Roll students and Donuts with Dudes will be held November 15 with over 475 people signed up. 5th and 6th graders attended a natural resources program put on by Mr. Neal's class.

The Activities Report from Mr. Sindelar listed highlights from fall activities: Superior rating at State Marching Band, Brynlee Marks was selected for All-State Choir, Sydney Erickson placed 9th at State Girl's Golf, Alexus Sindelar placed 3rd and Mason Sindelar placed 2nd at their state cross country meets. Fall awards night will be Monday November 26th. The community One-Act performance will be Saturday November 17 at 6 p.m.

As a discussion item the board set a retreat date for Jan 9th at 6:30 p.m. to update goals.

Lynn Laible from McMill CPA's and Advisors reviewed the 2017/18 audit and answered questions. Unseld moved and Woslager seconded a motion to accept the 2017/18 audit report. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion passed.

Chuck Micek from Town and Country Insurance presented an bid of \$68,580 for the district's insurance coverage. This was the only bid received. Woslager moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion to accept the bid from Town and Country Insurance. Voting yes: Unseld, Kreinke, Hoffmann, Woslager; No: Lienemann; Flesner absent. Motion carried 4-1.

After discussing the HVAC contractors interviewed on Nov. 6th Woslager moved and Unseld seconded a motion to hire Community Building Solutions (Jacob Hurla) as the contractor for the renovation of the HVAC and lighting in the elementary building. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

At 7:44 p.m. Unseld moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion to enter executive session for board self-evaluation, superintendent evaluation and teacher negotiations. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion passed. The board entered executive session at 7:45 p.m. and came out at 8:39 p.m.

Mr. Steffensen listed upcoming professional growth opportunities.

Unseld moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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